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Title: IN SITU THERMAL  
PROCESSING OF A  
HYDROCARBON  
CONTAINING FORMATION  
HAVING A SELECTED  
TOTAL ORGANIC CARBON  
CONTENT

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**AMENDMENT; RESPONSE SUBMITTED WITH  
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Sir:

Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**In the Claims:**

Below is a clean copy of amended claims and new claims. A marked-up copy of the amended claims is provided in an accompanying document.

1728. (amended) The method of claim 1727, wherein the one or more heaters comprise at least two heaters, and wherein superposition of heat from at least the two heaters pyrolyzes at least some hydrocarbons in the part of the formation.

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